Corporation Limited (GPCL). The IPC of CEA is accorded only to the Generating company who executes the project to facilitate them in tying up of various inputs including finances. As M/s. GPCL was not the executing agency of the project and were still to identify the party' for executing the project, the 'In-principlc clearance' as requested by them could not be accorded and the proposal v/aS returned in October, 1996. However,-issue of regarding grant of 'in-principle' clearance before putting power projects on competitive biddin,g is being examined in Government again.

Comstitoaoii of Delhi Vidyiit Board

2135. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether constitution of Delhi Vidyut Board has some objectives;

(b) if so, details thereof with additional advanta,ges provided to Delhi con'sumers since its inception in addition to already available with existence of DESU;

(c) whether Delhi Vidyut Board propose more facilities to its consumers in future;

(d) whether Delhi Vidyut Board also propose to ensure regular availability of power to each domestic light consumers and not resorting to power cut or load shedding on any reasons;

(e) whether the D.V.B. proposed to make surprise checks in all colonies of Delhi to detect illegal use of air-condi tioners in phased manner every month;, and

(f) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECH-NOLOCY AND THE MINISTER OF STATB OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Delhi Vidyut Board has been constituted w.e.f. 24-2-1997 on the pattern of Electricity Boards in other States, replace ing DESU, with an objective of provid-ing better services to consumers. Delhi Vidyut Board has informed that ihey have taken number of steps to streamline the procedures fof giant of electric connections. Special attention is alsw being paid, according to the Board td other areas like improvement in consumer services, providing stable power supply, increase in revenue realisation and reduction in T&D losses.

(c) As per information given by the Delhi Vidyut Board, they are simplifying procedures for providing more facilities to the consumers.

(d) The availability of power in Delhi durin,g the current summer months has been satisfactory by and large and the Delhi Vidyut Board met the demand of power of 2149 MW in Delhi durmg June, 1997. However, there had been load shedding in June, 1997 due to cons traints in the transmission and distribu tion network of the Delhi Vidyut Board and on some occasions due to low vol tage and low frequency conditions. *Qn* account of these reasons, there was load shedding of 10 MU against total energy consumption of 1330 MU in June, 1997.

(e) and (f) As per information given by the Delhi Vidyut Board, they carry out surprise checks to detect the illegal! use of air-conditioners and take necessary action against the defaulters for the violations.

Appeal by DVB to Delhi 'consumers

21S6. SHRI TARA CHARAN MA-JUMDAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi Vidyut Board through its advertisement on 17th July, 1997 *hais* appealed to Delhi Consumers

to contribute in their own way in case they do not want to grope in the dark, by following! certain restrictions;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) whether the Delhi Vidyut Board propose to utilise its official machinery in any way from 25th July, 1997 to ensure that restrictions to Save power arei adhered to by consumers and offices of Delhi Vidyut Board utilising power at minimum tariff rates; and

(d) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI YQGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Delhi Vidyut Board had brought out ani appeal for cooperation from public restricting use of air conditioners during peak hours; use of neon signs^ decorative lighting, window displays during summer and to maintain the closure hours of the buisness establishments as per provisions of Delhi Shop and Establishment Act, till 31-8-1997.

(c) and (d) As per information given by the Delhi Vidyut Board, they have carried out raids during July, 1997 and detected 272 cases of A.C. violations, 220 cases *of* Neon sign violations and J80 cases of peak load/weakly off viola tions and necessary action for disconnec tion of supply in such cases have been initiated by them.

विद्युत कंपनियों के संयुक्त उद्यम

2137. **श्री मूलचन्द मीणा** :
श्री अजीत जोगी :

क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या उनके मंत्रालय ने केन्द्रीय और राज्य सरकारों की विद्युत कंपनियों को बहुराष्ट्रीय कंपनियों के साथ संयुक्त उद्यम स्थापित करने के लिए प्रोत्साहित करने का निर्णय लिया है ;

(ख) यदि हां तो वर्ष 1996 के दौरान हस्तक्षरित विद्युत परियोनजाओं की कुल संख्या कितनी है और इन परियोजनाओं की कुल कितनी है और इन परियोजनाओं के पूर्ण होने पर कितनी विद्युत का उत्पादन होगा,

(ग) उन देशो के नाम क्या है जिनकें सहयोग से इन परियोनाओं को स्थापित किया जा रहा है, और

(घ) क्या सभी विद्युत परियोजनाओं को मंजूरी दे दी गयी है और उन्होनें अपना काम शुरू कर दिया है ?

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री तथा विद्युत मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री योगेन्द्र कुमार भगतराम अलघ) : (क) केन्द्र सरकार ने वर्ष 1993 में एनटीपीसी को अन्य कंपनियों के साथ एक संयुक्त उद्यम स्थापित करने की अनुमति प्रदान की थी जिसमें अन्य कंपनियों 25 प्रतिशत तक की इक्विटी के साथ छोटे साझेदार के रूप में होंगे। नवरत्न पैकेज के रूप में सरकार ने फिर संयुक्त उद्यम स्थापित करने के लिए एनटीपीसी को शाक्तियां प्रदान करने के लिए एनटीपीसी को शक्तियां प्रदान की हैं जिसमें संयुक्त उद्यमों में निवेश इसकी परिसंपत्तियों के 20 प्रतिशत से अधिक नहीं होगा।

(ख) वर्ष 1996 के दौरान किसी भी विद्युत परियोजना के संबंध में हस्ताक्षर नहीं किए गए थे।

(ग) और (घ) उपरोक्त (ख) के उत्तर को मद्देनजर रखते हुए प्रश्न उत्पन्न नहीं होता।

Misuse of Telephone fadliticfl in CSIR

2138. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Govt, are aware of the fact that in Some of the CSIR Laboratories including CFTRI, CLRI and